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In re application of: Jiuliang QIAO, et al.
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For: FULLY VULCANIZED THERMOPLASTIC ELASTOMER, PREPARATION AND USE THEREOF

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS :

Please cancel claim 17.

Please amend claims 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 14, 15 and 16 as follows:

4. (Amended) The fully vulcanized thermoplastic elastomer according to claim 1, characterized in that the average particle size of said rubber phase is $0.05\mu\sim0.5\mu$, more preferably $0.05\mu\sim0.2\mu$.

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